

Abstract

Cleaning a media surface, such as a disc surface, comprises subjecting the surface to a detector for sensing the nature of the surface for an irregularity in the smoothness of the surface. Directing, on detecting an irregularity beyond a
5 predetermined amount, a burnishing pulse laser output to that irregularity, and energizing the laser to thereby impart an energy source to reduce the irregularity to a degree less than a predetermined amount.

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